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For: IMPROVED INTERFACE SYSTEM FOR SYNCHRONOUS HIERARCHY  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**The specification is changed as follows:**

Page 3, please amend the paragraphs section under the section "**BRIEF DESCRIPTION  
OF THE DRAWINGS**" as follows:

In the drawings:

Fig. 1 shows a basic block diagram of an improved interfacing system for synchronous hierarchy telecommunication networks, according to the present invention;

Fig. 2 shows a detailed diagram of a first part of the improved interfacing system for synchronous hierarchy telecommunication networks, according to the present invention;

Fig. 3 is a Table 3 for illustrating the format of the data frame TRM1 according to the invention; and;

Fig. 4 shows a detailed diagram of a second part of the improved interfacing system for synchronous hierarchy telecommunication networks, according to the present invention.

Page 6, amend the sixth full paragraph as follows:

In Fig. 4 shows the board CB1 of the switch matrix CM.

**IN THE DRAWINGS:**

Attached please find *Proposed Corrections to Formal Drawings* relabeling Figure 3 to Figure 4 and Table 3 to Figure 3.

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**REMARKS**

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

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**APPENDIX**

**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

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Page 3, please amend the paragraphs section under the section “**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**” as follows:

In the drawings:

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- Fig. 2 shows a detailed diagram of a first part of the improved interfacing system for synchronous hierarchy telecommunication networks, according to the present invention; ~~and~~
- Fig. 3 is a Table 3 for illustrating the format of the data frame TRM1 according to the invention; and;
- Fig. ~~34~~ shows a detailed diagram of a second part of the improved interfacing system for synchronous hierarchy telecommunication networks, according to the present invention.

Page 6, amend the sixth full paragraph as follows:

In Fig. ~~34~~ shows the board CB1 of the switch matrix CM.

Page 8, amend the fourth paragraph (after line 10) as follows:

In this frame TRM1, the bytes indicated in Table 3, shown in Fig. 3 have the following meanings:

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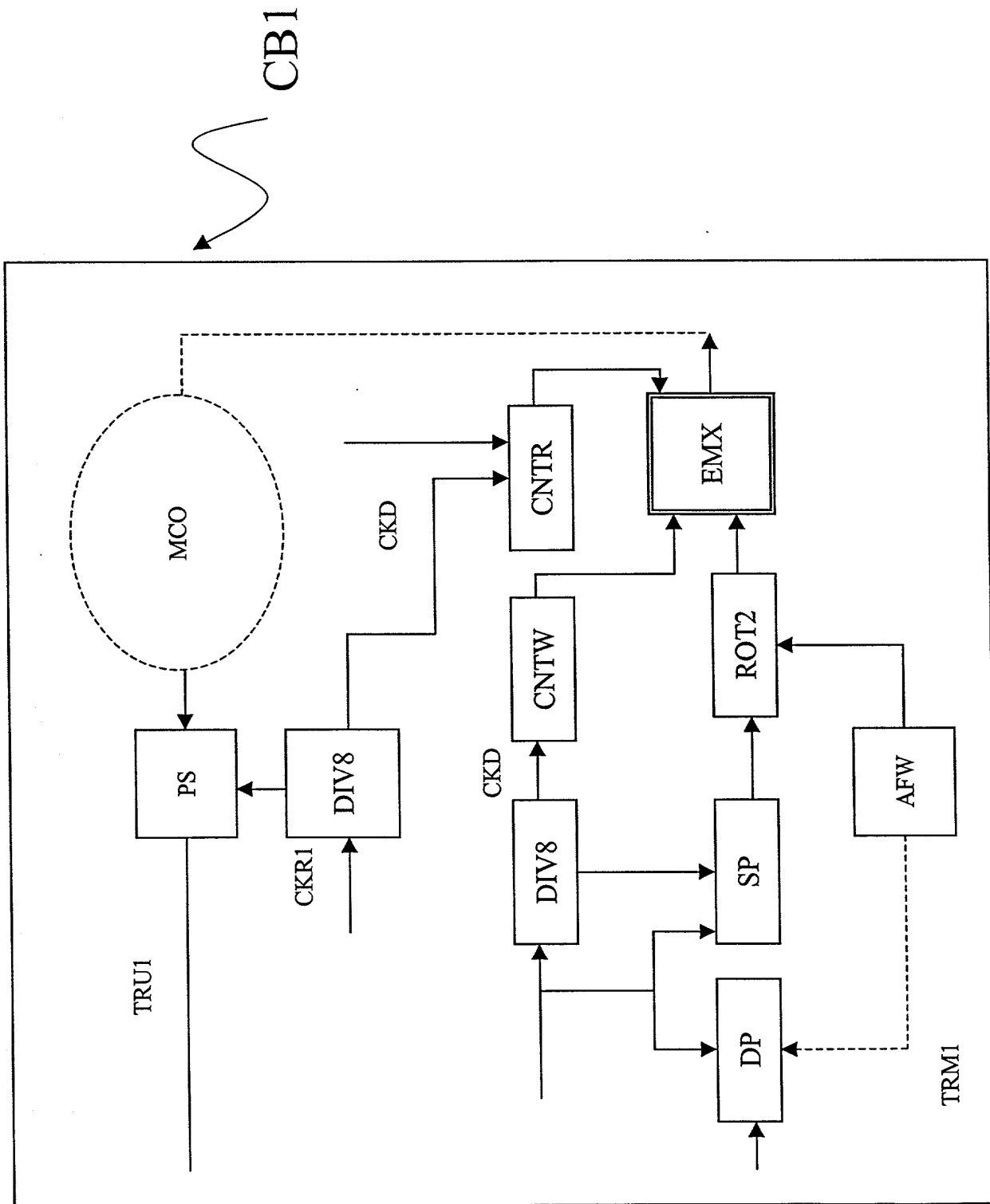


FIG. 3 Fig. 4

~~Table 3~~ *Figure 3*